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Subject: Information on Lolo NF Integrated Weed Management FEIS and ROD

To: Interested Party

The Lolo National Forest Integrated Weed Management Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) is complete and The Record of Decision (ROD) was signed on December 11, 2007.

Activities in the selected alternative include weed education and awareness, prevention, ground and aerially applied herbicides, goat and sheep grazing, biological control agents, mowing, pulling, seeding and fertilizing. Alternative 2, the Agency's selected action, proposes to manage weeds on the Lolo National Forest by controlling weeds and establishing beneficial weed resistant plant communities by:

- Preventing potential invaders from establishing
- Eradicating small new infestations and reducing larger infestations of new invaders
- Containing or reducing widespread weeds within infested areas
- Allowing rapid, timely response to new, small or recently discovered infestations before they spread and become well established
- Preventing or limiting the spread of established weeds to protect weed-free areas; and
- Implementing the 2004 Forest Service National Strategy and Implementation Plan for Invasive Species Management

This Decision is subject to appeal under 36 CFR 215.11. Written appeals must be postmarked or received within 45 days of publication of this legal notice in the *Missoulian* newspaper. I expect this notice to be published December 21, 2007. Appeals must meet the content requirements of 36 CFR 215.14.

Paper appeals must be submitted to:

USDA Forest Service, Northern Region
ATTN: Appeals Deciding Officer
200 East Broadway
PO Box 7669
Missoula, MT 59807

Electronic appeals must be submitted to: appeals-northern-regional-office@fs.fed.us

The FEIS and the ROD can be downloaded from the internet at www.fs.fed.us/r1/lolo/projects/ under *Lolo Forest-wide Weed EIS Analysis*. Additional hard copies or CD's can be obtained by contacting Lynda Pike at the Lolo National Forest, Building 24 Fort Missoula, Missoula, MT 59804 (406) 329-1070.


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